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Title: A METHOD OF SELECTING A PORTION OF A BLOCK OF DATA FOR DISPLAY
BASED ON CHARACTERISTICS OF A DISPLAY DEVICE

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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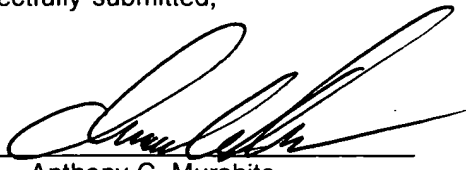
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